

AGENDA
Resource Conservation Commission
Chula Vista, California

Monday, April 9, 2012
4:00 pm

Executive Conference Room 103, Building 100
276 Fourth Avenue

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: Commissioners Coleman, Davis, Kappes, Romo, Vargas, and Chair Rahimzadeh

MOTION TO EXCUSE: Request for excused absence from Commissioner Davis for the March 12th meeting due to family illness

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 12, 2012

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: An opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Resource Conservation Commission on any subject matter within the Commission's jurisdiction but not an item on today's agenda. Each speaker's presentation may not exceed three minutes.

ACTION ITEMS

None

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Earth Month Proclamation – Lynn France
2. New Virtual Warehouse – Dave DiDonato
3. Appliance Exchange Rebate Program's Final Results – Michelle Castagnola

FUTURE ITEMS

- 2013-2014 SDG&E Local Government Partnership Program
- 2011 Municipal Energy & Water Resource Report
- Municipal Solar Installations (Phase B)
- Community Savings Initiative (Phase 2)
- Gray Water Stub-Out Ordinance
- Cool Paving Study Results
- New Climate Mitigation Targets
- Regional Climate Initiative – New Branding & Website
- Revised Municipal "Green" Procurement Policy & Process
- Landscape Water Runoff Prohibition
- SDG&E Solar Network Use Charge Update

MANAGERS COMMENTS

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- RCC Action Plan Updates – Commissioners
- Update on the Bayfront Wildlife Advisory Group, Commissioners Coleman and Davis

CHAIR COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT: To a regular meeting on Monday, May 14, 2012 in Executive Conference Room 103, Building 100 at 276 Fourth Avenue, Chula Vista CA 91910.

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**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
RESOURCE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

March 12, 2012

City of Chula Vista, Executive Conference Room 103
276 Fourth Avenue

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: By Vice Chair Rahimzadeh at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners Coleman, Kappes, Rahimzadeh, Romo, and Vargas

MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioners Davis

MOTION TO EXCUSE: Commissioner Davis, motion to excuse from the February 13th meeting approved

STAFF PRESENT: Environmental Resource Manager Reed, Environmental Services Program Manager France, and Sr. Secretary Fields

OTHERS PRESENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Minutes of February 13th, 2012 were approved with the addition of Commissioner Coleman commenting on the Wildlife Advisory Group's tour of the decommissioned South Bay Power Plant site under Commissioner Comments.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Election of a new RCC Chair

Action: The board elected Commissioner Rahimzadeh Chair to replace vacating Chair Stillman. Commissioner Colman was elected Vice Chair to replace Commissioner Rahimzadeh.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Earth Month Events & Proclamation

Environmental Services Program Manager France and Environmental Resource Manager Reed discussed the upcoming events happening around Earth Month. Manager Reed stated that the Go Green & Clean Family Day event occurring on April 28th, which will be in conjunction with the YMCA, would be the biggest of the City's events. Manager France added that this event would include an electronics drop off event and that computers would be rebuilt and given to low income families. Reed stated that they would be going to Council on April 24th for the 2012 Earth Month

Proclamation and he suggested that the board might consider attending the meeting to be the ones to receive the Proclamation, which would serve to spotlight their role in the City. The board agreed to finalize their attendance at the Council meeting at the next RCC meeting. The group then reviewed the proclamation and suggested some minor wording edits.

2. Trash Fees

Environmental Services Program Manager France went over details of the April 24th Public Hearing on Solid Waste Services Rate Adjustments. Increases are scheduled for July 1, 2012 for commercial and industrial customers, and September 1, 2012 for residential customers. Manager France went on to discuss several of the items and figures listed in the Allied Waste Services agreement. Commissioner Vargas asked for an update on the hearing in April.

3. Household Hazardous Waste RFP

Environmental Services Program Manager France briefed the board on the Request for Proposal and went over the types of services they are contracting for.

MANAGERS COMMENTS

- Environmental Services Program Manager France and Environmental Resource Manager Reed touched briefly on some of the future agenda items.
- Environmental Services Program Manager France announced that on April 10th, the City of Chula Vista would be hosting a California Recycling workshop on AB341 regarding the mandatory commercial recycling regulation for local government.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- Commissioner Coleman stated that at their next meeting, the Wildlife Advisory Group would be getting a presentation from the subcommittee on the RFPs for the Management Plan. He mentioned that there was a lot of concern that some of the existing vegetation and trees did not fit into what the plan would be.
- Commissioner Romo asked about his previous suggestion of calculating the carbon footprint of RCC meetings. Environmental Resource Manager Reed stated that planting six to eight trees would offset twelve RCC meetings per year. He further stated that they could work with the City's Parks staff on the project. Chair Rahimzadeh suggested tying this project into the Council Earth Month Proclamation.

CHAIR COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:44 p.m. to a regular meeting on Monday, April 9, 2012, at 4:00 pm in Executive Conference Room 103, Building 300, 276 Fourth Avenue, Chula Vista, CA 91910.

Prepared by:

Sheryl Fields
Sr. Secretary

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2012 Earth Month Proclamation

- Whereas,** since the first Earth Day in 1970, the event has expanded into a month-long celebration of the Earth's natural resources - many of which are impacted by human activities - and the importance of protecting them for current and future generations, and
- Whereas,** the City of Chula Vista, under the leadership of the City Council and the Resource Conservation Commission, has implemented policies and programs to help ensure clean air, water, and land for residents, visitors, and wildlife, and
- Whereas,** the City and its community partners are sponsoring numerous Earth Month activities such as an energy-efficient lighting exchange, electronic waste and pharmaceutical collection events, a family-oriented community fair, a sustainable landscaping workshop, and a watershed cleanup to further promote environmental awareness in Chula Vista, and
- Whereas,** the community can learn more about these environmental events and programs at www.chulavistaca.gov/clean, and
- Whereas,** the City of Chula Vista recognizes that by prioritizing the improvement of the community's environmental health, overall quality of life for residents and businesses is also enhanced, and
- Whereas,** to help commemorate Earth Month, the Resource Conservation Commission has committed to planting shade trees to offset the carbon emissions from their monthly meetings.
- Now, Therefore,** I, Cheryl Cox, Mayor of the City of the City of Chula Vista, do hereby proclaim April 2012 as

Earth Month

in the City of Chula Vista, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Earth Month by participating in one of the City's environmental events and to support efforts to preserve our local and global natural resources.

Dated this 24th day of April, 2012

Mayor Cheryl Cox